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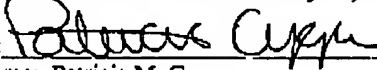
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

An Examiner Interview was initiated by the Examiner on May 24, 2005 with Applicants' representative, Steven J. Shumaker (Reg. No. 36,275). In the Examiner Interview, the Examiner proposed an Examiner's Amendment to correct minor antecedent and clarity issues in the claims, and place the application in condition for allowance. Applicants' representative agreed to the following claim amendments:

1. Amend claim 2 to refer to a first handshake signal.
2. Amend each of claims 45 and 46 to be dependent on claim 43.
3. Amend each of claims 49 and 50 to change "first watchdog timer hardware unit" to -watchdog timer hardware unit-.

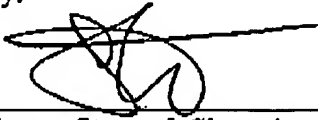
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The Examiner advised that, upon entry of the Examiner's Amendment, the application would be allowed, pending an updated search of the prior art.

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